Draft CAG Minutes

Facilitator: Mark Burton

CAG Members Present:

Neighborhood Associations:

Robin Plance St. Johns Chair, administrative committee coordinator

Larry Talbert HiNoon

Cathy Crawford University Park

Peter Laughingwolf Friends of Cathedral Park

Business:

Steve Gunther Progressive Products and Services

Rob De Graff Portland Business Alliance

Environment:

Rhett Lawrence OSPIRG

Dorothy Shoemaker Sierra Club Secretary, evaluation committee coordinator

Recreation:

Travis Williams Willamette Riverkeeper

Public Health:

Joe Keating OCEH/OWF Education and Outreach coordinator

Georgia Richmond Citizen

At-Large:

Xander Patterson East Multnomah SWCD/PSR

Jim RobisonCitizenTom ChisolmCitizenMark StephanCitizen

Other Participants:

Fenix Grange DEQ

Kim Cox City of Portland
Dawn Sanders City of Portland
Katy Brooks J. D. White Company
Sue Safford Port of Portland

Amanda Guay DHS

Libby McCulley Willamette Riverkeeper

Dave Stone Andrew Epstein DHS

OCEH Intern/PSU Student

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The meeting adjourned at 7 PM. Mark Burton facilitated.

MOTION: Accept the minutes of the last meeting. MOVED: DS SECONDED: RP Agreed unaminously.

The agenda was expanded to include committee reports (to become standard), the Metsger bill, and Joe's change of status.

MOTION: Accept agenda as amended: MOVED: JK SECONDED: RP Agreed.

MOTION: Robin as Chair. MOVED: TW, SECONDED: RL Agreed.

Travis mentioned that he thinks that since we don't have our direction clear yet, it is too early to be looking for funding. He endorsed putting Rob De Graff on the CAG, despite there being PRPs on the Board of the Portland Business Alliance. WRK will continue to participate in the CAG, and provide the TAG (Technical assistance grant) staff person. He will stay on his committees.

Xander asked how long Robin will be Chair. This will be decided in the Bylaws.

MOTION: Dorothy as Board Secretary. MOVED: XP, SECONDED: JK

ACTION: Dorothy will talk to Libby to transfer duties.

Robin, others talked about fundraising.

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE: JK

Fact Sheet will be ready in time for McCormick & Baxter meeting.

Cathy mentioned that she had hoped to hear from Joe about McCormick & Baxter, but hasn't yet.

Steve Gunther arrived.

About the questionnaire, Travis said that PRPs may not respond. Joe said that this will be our first contact with them, and any responses will be interesting.

Travis felt the press conference lacked a clear message. Jim said to use our written materials in putting together our message. Dorothy said that the web page and fact sheet will show our message, so they will present an opportunity to discuss it.

Steve would like to see us have a vision statement.

WORKPLAN AND GOALS: TW

Robin said we need to make more task-oriented, action-oriented plans. Jim said we need more community participation, and we should look at the steps in our timetable when we need it most. Tom suggested we promote events in the community, such as talks made by CAG members, and hikes. Steve wants more CAG members, and a vision statement. Cathy felt we spend too much time discussing the structure of the CAG.

Mark Burton suggested that in brainstorming, we might want to say that the speaker can't speak again until everyone has had a chance.

Travis said that a near goal for the CAG is to evaluate the new Work Plan from the LWG.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: RP

Robin introduced a draft of the bylaws for our discussion.

MOTION: Adopt the bylaws as drafted. MOVED: JR, SECONDED SG

Jim suggested amendments:

- 1. The CAG should be the "Community Advisory Group", not the "Citizen" Advisory Group. MOVED: JR, SECONDED SG
- 2. Delete references to "active members". All members will be able to vote. MOVED: JR, SECONDED DS
- 3. Delete "18 years old". All members, once accepted, will be allowed to vote, even if young. MOVED: JR. SECONDED SG

MOTION: Put membership on the agenda before the presentations. MOVED: JR, SECONDED: SG Agreed, except for XP.

MOTION: Include Rob De Graff, Portland Business Alliance representative, as member of CAG. MOVED: JK, SECONDED: TP Agreed.

Joe will be leaving the OCEH, but continue on the CAG. The CAG needs to work out who represents which community group.

FENIX GRANGE PRESENTATION (DEQ)

Fenix will be hosting the Open House on McCormick & Baxter which the CAG is cosponsoring. DEQ is the lead agency for the cleanup, with EPA oversight.

33,000 tons of soil have been removed. They are building a barrier wall around the remaining contaminated soil. Construction begins April 2, 2003.

Kevin Pruit, a technical person, will give a 20 minute talk. Dave Stone will talk about the crayfish advisory. Robin will talk about the CAG. Joe will have a fact sheet ready.

The cleanup of McCormick & Baxter is costing \$20 million.

KIM COX PRESENTATION (City of Portland)

The City is working with the DEQ on source control at stormwater outfalls. They are concerned about toxics.

There is a WRDA grant in the works for early habitat restoration, before the main harbor cleanup. The work would be done by the Army Corps of Engineers.

MOTION: Adjourn meeting. MOVED: RP, SECONDED: TW. Agreed.